

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 98-321-E - ORDER NO. 98-599

AUGUST 6, 1998

IN RE:	Request of South Carolina Electric & Gas	)	ORDER
	Company for Approval of its General Service	)	APPROVING
	Concurrent Demand Time-of-Use Rate	)	RATE SCHEDULE
	Schedule No. 19.	)	

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This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G or the Company) for approval of its General Service Concurrent Demand Time-of-Use Rate Schedule No. 19. Rate Schedule 19, according to the Company, will offer to customers with multiple non-contiguous locations the opportunity to manage usage from location to location in order to reduce energy costs, by shifting load and usage among locations in order to realize savings. The proposed rate includes a diversity charge which will make the total charges under the rate schedule equal to the amount under the rate schedules under which the customer previously received service. The customer could realize future savings resulting from his management efforts.

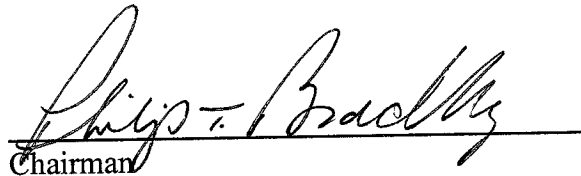
SCE&G feels that approval of this Rate Schedule will allow for more customer satisfaction. It does not apparently change the current charge for any rate currently offered. Accordingly, the Company requests that the Commission approve the proposed Rate Schedule without notice or hearing as provided for by S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-27-870(F)(Supp. 1997), in that this rate schedule does not require a determination of the

entire rate structure and overall rate of return, does not result in any revenue increase to the Company, and provides for orderly rate administration.

We have examined this matter, and have determined that the rate schedule should be approved, pursuant to the statutory language quoted above. It appears that the schedule reduces energy costs and is beneficial to the customers of the utility.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Acting Executive Director

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